

DESK 3–6: Dortmund Developmental Screening for Preschools (Dortmunder Entwicklungsscreening für den Kindergarten) Full Profile Review

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Age Range

0-3 years, 3-7 years

Age Range Information

3 to 6 years; 11 months

SEL Skills targeted

Relationship skills, Social and emotional development

Scales and Subscales

Fine motor skills (FMO) Form 3 years – 9 items Form 4 years – 9 items Form 5-6 years - 8 items Gross motor skills (GMO) Form 3 years - 9 items Form 4 years - 9 items Form 5-6 years – 8 items Cognition and Language Scale (KSP) Form 3 years – 12 items Cognition (KOG) Form 4 years – 9 items Language and Communication Scale (SPK) Form 4 years – 10 items, Form 5-6 years - 10 items Basic skills written language Scale (BKS)



Form 5-6 years – 8 items Basic Mathematics competences (BKM) Form 5-6 years – 8 items Attention and concentration (AKN) Form 5-6 years – 8 items Scale social behaviour (SZV) Form 3 years – 9 items, Form 4 years – 9 items Social Competence (SZK) Form 5-6 years – 8 items Social Interaction (SZI) Form 5-6 years – 8 items

Sources of information

Child, Parent, Teacher

Formats for administration

Direct assessment, Observation, Interview

Administration

Required materials: DESK 3-6 R Manual, Instructions for administration and interpretation of DESK 3-6 R Form, Answer Sheet for individual administration, Answer Sheet for group administration (in case of group administration – a sheet of paper A4 for each child, markers, one A5 card with the word COW written on it (about 5 cm width), cards with numbers from 1 to 9, rope, one ball (as big as a football), second ball (diameter about 10-15 cm), hoop, scissors, a sheet with a circle drawn on it (diameter about 10-15 cm).

Time: around 1 hour

It can be administered individually or in a group.

Scoring

Manual, Electronic

Scoring information

Manual and electronic Results are displayed in Sten scores. Results are calculated electronically (with Examinea.com).

Psychometric Properties

Bulgarian adaptation: Reliability: Cronbach's alpha for all scales in: Form 3 years – between 0.63 and 0.89 Form 4 years – between 0.77 and 0.88



Form 5-6 years – between 0.73 and 0.90 Validity: RATZ-index (relative improvement of the hit rate in comparison to the random hit rate) for all scales in: Form 3 years – between 0.50 and 0.88 Form 4 years – between 0.63 and 0.81 Form 5-6 years – between 0.40 and 0.71 Rank correlation (Spearman) of a professional's evaluation and DESK 3-6 R results: Form 3 years – between 0.275 and 0.681 Form 4 years – between 0.393 and 0.803 Form 5-6 years – between 0.100 and 0.579

Training

Required qualification: Level B Requires training with an experienced professional

Strengths and Weaknesses

Strengths: Specially developed for use in kindergartens; Identifies developmental risks in the "grey zone" (before they are obvious); Tasks are easily observable in the child's everyday life; Can also be administered in the form of a game; Used for assessment of children school readiness; Based on the "landmark principle" - children must master skills which are successfully developed by 90-95% of the children with the same demographic characteristics, in order to successfully move to the next stage of their development.

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